## MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS

June 9, 2010

## **Proclamation of "Centennial Aviation Day"**

The Dominguez Rancho Adobe Museum has a long and rich history in the County of Los Angeles. The property on which the current Museum stands was acquired by Juan Jose Dominguez through a land grant from King Carlos III of Spain. It was originally known as Rancho San Pedro, and in 1826 was renamed Dominguez Adobe by Don Manuel Dominguez.

The world's first air race was held in 1909 in Reims, France. American pilot Glenn Curtiss surpassed Frenchman Louis Bleriot to win the Gordon Bennett Trophy, air racing's first important award, and earning the right for his home country to host the next international air meet. In 1910, the Dominguez family granted a portion of the Dominguez Adobe for the International Aviation Meet, signifying the birth of aviation in California. This historic event paved the way for the aerospace and aviation industry in Los Angeles.

THEREFORE I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Declare **June 12, 2010 as Centennial Aviation Day** in the County of Los Angeles and encourage residents to participate in the centennial celebration activities of the 1910 International Aviation Meet held on Dominguez Air Field, at the Dominguez Rancho Adobe Museum through the year.

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